GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Forest Department – Sri P.Sivaji, DFO (Retd), formerly DFO, Wild Life Management Division, Eluru- Disciplinary case initiated – Provisional decision to impose a penalty of 16.5% cut in pension for a period of (1) one year besides recovery of Rs.26,807/- Final Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 15 Dated: 09-02-2017

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.46, E.F.S & T (For.IV) Deptt. Dt. 31-03-2004.
2. From the Prl. CCF Lr.Rc.No.44663/2001-K3, Dt. 27-04-2004.
3. Govt Memo NO.2984/For.IV/A1/04-1., dt: 13.3.2006.
4. From the Prl. CCF Lr.Rc.No.44663/2001-K3, Dt. 3-1-2009.
5. Govt.Memo.No.2984/For.IV/A1/2004-3, dt:6-10-2009.
6. From the Prl.CCf. Ref.No.44663/1999/K-II/1, dt:13-10-2012.
7. Govt. Memo. No.2984/For.IV/2004-4, dt. 04.06.2013.
8. From the PCCF Rc. No. 44663/1999/K3, dt. 28.10.2013.
9. G.M. No. 2984/For.IV/2004-5, dt. 28.09.2015
10. From the PCCF, Lr. Rc. No. 44663/1999/Vig-3, dt. 11.12.2015.
11. Govt. Lr. No. 2984/For.IV/A1/2004, dt. 16.04.2016.
12. From the APPSC, Lr. No. 310/DC&C/2/2016, dt. 27.05.2016.
13. Govt. Lr. No. 2984/For.IV/2004, dt. 24.08.2016.
14. From the APPSC, Lr. No. 310/DC&C/2/2016, dt. 17.09.2016.

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An article of charge was issued against Sri P. Sivaji, Divisional Forest Officer, formerly WLM, Eluru vide Ref.No.7813/2001/P4, dt:1-6-2001by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad for the irregularities committed by him for dereliction of duty, in not taking action to prevent digging of fish tanks in Kolleru Bird Sanctuary and suppression of the facts to the higher authorities about the encroachments etc. On receipt of defense statement, Inquiry Officer & Presenting Officer were appointed. After conducting inquiry the Inquiry Officer, submitted findings concluding that the charges framed against the Charged Officer were held proved.

2. After careful examination of the matter, orders were issued imposing the punishment of 'withholding two annual grade increments with cumulative effect' against Sri P. Sivaji, Divisional Forest Officer for the charges held proved against him, vide G.O.Ms.No.46, EFS&T (For.IV) Department, dated 31-03-2004.

3. Since the Charged Officer has retired from service on 31-07-2004 A.N. on attaining the age of superannuation, the aforesaid punishment could not be implemented, due to lack of sufficient service. Therefore, the PCCF has requested to issue further orders in the matter.

4. Government, after careful examination of the matter with reference to the orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.85, Fin & Plg. (FW.Pen.I) Dept., Dated: 12-07-1999, keeping in view the superannuation retirement of Charged Officer and the remarks of the PCCF, provisionally decided to modify and reduce the punishment of "withholding of two annual grade increments with cumulative effect" to that of a penalty of 16.5% cut in pension for one year besides recovery of Rs.26807/- from the pensionary benefits of Sri P. Sivaji, DFO(Retd.), under rule 9 (1) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

5. Accordingly a Show-Cause-Notice was issued to the retired officer vide reference 9th read above. The PCCF, A.P., Hyderabad, vide ref. 10th read above has informed that, Sri P. Sivaji, DFO(retd) has submitted further Defense Statement to the Show Cause Notice and it has no relevant point of defense for any consideration.

6. Government, after careful examination of the matter hereby order to impose a penalty of 16.5% cut in pension for one year besides recovery of Rs.26807/- from the pensionary benefits of Sri P. Sivaji, DFO(Retd.), under rule 9 (1) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Guntur is directed to take action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.ANANTHA RAMU
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF,A.P., Guntur.
The Individual (through Principal Chief Conservator of Forests).

Copy to:
The Accountant General (A&E) A.P., Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Hyderabad, A.P.
The Principal Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad
(with ref. to Lr.No.310/DC&C/2/2016, dt.17.09.2016).

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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER